

ABSTRACT

A multi-branch overwrap for protecting elongated items is disclosed. The overwrap is formed from a flexible, resilient substrate. Interengageable attachment means are positioned on opposite sides of the substrate ~~to provide a means~~ for releasably attaching one surface of the substrate to the other. The substrate may be biased to form a plurality of interconnected tubes or reverse folded to form channels that receive the elongated items. Biasing or folding brings the opposite sides of the substrate into overlapping relation, ~~allowing the attachment means to engage each other~~. The overwrap may be formed from a unitary blank or assembled from component parts. Preferred materials for the substrate include polyester felt, and preferred attachments means include hook and loop fasteners distributed on the surface of the substrate.

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